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S r. No. 09/996,629**REMARKS**

The Applicants thank the Examiner for his careful analysis of the specification and claims. There are three claims currently pending in the case. The Examiner has rejected claims 21-22 and allowed claim 23. The Applicants have amended the claims as shown above to cancel claims 21 and 22 traversing the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

FEES

It is believed that there is no fee due with this response. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby entitled to charge Deposit Account No. 02-2070 referencing case number 6444-PA05D.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the forgoing amendments and arguments, the Applicants submit that the application is now in proper form for allowance and request that a Notice of Allowance be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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